

HARMONY SHIP SAILS FOR EUROPE

PEACE PARTY
STARTS UPON
LONG VOYAGE

Accompanied by His Envoys
Ford Aboard the Oscar II
Sails From New York.

WILL ARRIVE DEC. 14

Running on Schedule Time
the Harmony Ship Should
Make Trip in 10 Days.

New York, Dec. 4.—Henry Ford and more than eighty peace advocates sailed from here today on the steamer Oscar II for Christiansend, Norway. The party was accompanied by 57 newspaper correspondents and photographers, more than twenty general assistants, secretaries and stenographers. William Jennings Bryan and Thomas A. Edison were at the dock to say farewell to Mr. Ford.

New York, Dec. 4.—Members of the peace expedition organized and financed by Henry Ford for the purpose of creating a conference of representatives of neutral nations in the hope of ending the war, began to assemble today at Hoboken on board the Scandinavian-American line steamship Oscar II. One hundred and forty names are on the list of Mr. Ford's guests. Of these 33 are peace envoys, 54 newspaper and magazine correspondents, and three moving picture men. For their use Mr. Ford chartered the entire first and second cabins of the steamer.

The Oscar II is due to sail at 3 p. m. She should arrive at Christiansand, Norway, her first stop, about Dec. 14. Thence the party is to proceed to Stockholm, Copenhagen, and The Hague.

Only One Governor.

For several days Mr. Ford has maintained headquarters in a New York hotel, summoning by invitation governors of states, leaders and workers in the peace movement and students of universities to join in the expedition. Of the governors invited, so far as announced, L. B. Hanna of North Dakota, was the only one to accept. William J. Bryan, who received an invitation, declined to accompany the party but said he hoped to join them at The Hague a few weeks later. He explained that he believed he could accomplish more in the interest of peace at present by remaining in America.

List of Peace Envoys.

In the list of envoys given out by Mr. Ford's assistants are, among others, Rev. Charles F. Aked of San Francisco; Lieutenant Governor A. J. Be-the of South Carolina; Mrs. Inez Milholland Boissevain, New York; H. C. Evans, Des Moines; Frederick H. Holt, Detroit; T. A. Hostelle, Washington; Rev. Jenkin Lloyd Jones, Chicago; Rev. Samuel S. Marquis, dean of St. Paul's Cathedral, Detroit; Louis Ma-verick, Winnetka, Ill.; George F. Mil-ton, Chattanooga; E. H. Molhan, Wil-lamstown, Mass.; Henry C. Morris, Chicago; Senator Helen R. Robinson, Denver; T. M. Smock, New Plymouth, Idaho; Charles D. Thompson, Chicago; Hendrick W. Van Loon, Ithaca, N. Y.; Arthur L. Weatherly, Lincoln, Neb.; Rev. W. M. Wright, Little Rock, Ark.; Lars P. Nelson, New York; F. O. Van Gelder, Rock Island.

Many Students Going.

Twenty-three members of the party are women. Students from Vassar, Barnard, Dartmouth, Oberlin, Williams, Drake, Vanderbilt and Columbia and the Universities of Kansas, Ohio, Iowa, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin, Illinois, Nebraska, Michigan and Texas, accompany the expedition. The peace delegates received large red celluloid buttons bearing a white star with rays and the words, "Out of the trenches for Christmas."

Makes "Farewell Statement."

Mr. Ford issued what he called a "farewell statement."

"I am sailing with the firm belief," he said, "that great good will come of this mission. It will keep alive the thought that peace is possible as well as desirable and so long as that is done, hope of peace exists."

"I know little of the details of the working plan of the peace conference but I do know that every effort will be made for an honorable and early peace. If this conference succeeds only in bringing about a beginning of negotiations for peace, it will have accomplished a good work."

"My heart is in this work for peace and it is for this reason that I have stood behind the ship and helped the people reach a common meeting place to discuss the possibilities of peace with the representatives of other neutral countries."



MAKES QUITE A DIFFERENCE

Are Looking
to Recall of
the Teutons

Washington, Dec. 4.—The American government today looked to Germany for the immediate recall of Captains Karl Boy-ed and Franz von Pape-n, naval and military attaches of the German embassy here, in accordance with Secretary Lansing's request.

Alleged improper activities on the part of German officers in connection with naval and military affairs is given as the reason for Secretary Lansing's request.

Request for immediate recall was made through Count von Bernstorff, the German ambassador, who was informed that the officers had rendered themselves persona non grata to the United States.

The case against Boy-ed and von Pape-n, although not susceptible of legal proof, consisted of complaints, since the beginning of the European war, which connected them with attempts to violate American neutrality. The state department regarded the complaints as fully justifying the withdrawal of the attaches from the diplomatic service of Germany in the United States.

The action of Secretary Lansing has the full approval of President Wilson and his cabinet. The president is said to have decided to get rid of all foreign officials whose activities are considered harmful to the best interests of this country.

ENGINEER FOILS
TRAIN ROBBERS

Bandits Attempt to Holdup Iron Mountain Passenger Train Near Malvern, Arkansas.

Little Rock, Ark., Dec. 4.—Two posses early today were close on the heels of a gang of bandits who last night attempted to hold up south-bound Iron Mountain passenger train No. 3 near Malvern, Ark. The holdup was foiled through the coolness of T. P. Homard, the engineer, and so quickly were officers and citizens on the trail of the would-be robbers that a pitched battle was fought with them less than three hours later.

Sheriff Stanley of Malvern was wounded in the foot during the shooting, the only known casualty. The bandits escaped in the darkness. Sheriff Stanley continued in pursuit with his deputies.

GOVERNOR DUNNE IS
GOING TO CHICAGO

Springfield, Ill., Dec. 4.—Governor Dunne leaves here tonight for Chicago, where he will join the delegation from the Chicago Association of Commerce which goes to Washington Sunday in the hope of capturing the democratic national convention and bringing it to Chicago.

TWO MORE SHIPS
ARE SUNK BY SUBS

British Steamers Middleton and Clan MacLeod Torpedoed in Mediterranean Sea.

London, Dec. 4. (12:30 p. m.)—Two more British steamships have been sunk in the Mediterranean by submarines. They are the Middleton and the Clan MacLeod.

Four men on the Middleton were killed and one was wounded. Nineteen were landed at Malta.

There are no records of the recent movements of the Middleton, which presumably was in the service of the British government. She was 304 feet long, 2,506 tons gross, built in 1895 and owned in Hull.

The Clan MacLeod was last reported in Glasgow, was 295 feet long, 4,796 tons gross and built in 1903.

PASS SENTENCE
ON CONSPIRATORS

New York, Dec. 4.—Dr. Karl Bue-nz, George Kotter and Adolph Hachmeister, of the Hamburg-American line, recently convicted of conspiracy to defraud the United States government, were sentenced today to serve one and one-half years in the federal penitentiary at Atlanta. Joseph Poppinghaus was sentenced to one year. The Hamburg-American line was fined one dollar.

All the defendants were admitted to bail pending the issuing of a writ of error in their behalf.

Bail was fixed at \$10,000 in each case and was accepted from a surety company.

Sentence was pronounced after Judge Howe had overruled motions by William Rand, Jr., chief counsel for the defense, for dismissal of the verdict on the ground that it was contrary to the evidence and law in the case.

INCREASE WAGES
OF 1,000 WORKERS

Cleveland, O., Dec. 4.—The strike of 1,800 workmen, chiefly Hungarians, at the war order automobile body plant of Theodor Kuntz, in progress several weeks, was settled today.

The announcement of the settlement was made by A. Metzner, a strike leader, following a meeting of directors. The men will return to work Monday morning at an increase of 25 cents a day for men who are paid less than \$2 per day and 12½ cents a day for men who are paid more than \$2.

Two Killed by One Shell.
Versailles, France, Dec. 4. (2:30 p. m.)—A captain and a lieutenant of the engineering corps were killed and three officers and a sapper were injured yesterday by the explosion of a shell at the instruction camp at Satory.

Ingenuity of
the Captain
Saves Boat

New York, Dec. 4.—Captain Simon E. Gull of the Italian steamer Verona which arrived here today after being chased by submarine in the Mediterranean on Nov. 19, said a heavy sea which caused the submarine to roll and pitch was the chief factor in enabling the steamer to elude the undersea boat.

Captain Gull said the submarine did not fly a flag nor did it appear to have a number and he said there was no way he could tell whether it was German or Austrian. Other officers, however, expressed the belief that the craft was a German U boat.

"We were about 110 miles west of the straits of Bonifacio on Nov. 19," said Captain Gull, "when a large submarine appeared on the surface about two miles off our starboard side and slightly astern. There were no signals and I immediately put on all speed possible, and steered a course so that the submarine would be forced to take the heavy sea at a quartering angle."

"Although the sea which was then running was not heavy enough to materially bother the Verona, it caused the submarine to roll and pitch and the crew were unable to aim either of the two deck guns at us. We saw the submarine crew go below and although it was a close race for more than an hour and a half, we felt comparatively safe for we were confident they could not accurately fire a torpedo in such a sea."

"As soon as I sighted the submarine I sent out wireless reports to all ships and shore stations but I did not ask for assistance as I did not have any passengers aboard and did not think the Verona was in much danger. I later received a radio message saying a French torpedo boat destroyer had gone in search of the submarine."

"Shortly after 5:30 o'clock it became dark and after continuing on my course a short distance I cut a wide semi-circle and completely lost the submarine."

REPORT BRITISH
NOW IN RETREAT

London, Dec. 4. (3:20 p. m.)—The British army in Mesopotamia is in retreat. Official announcement was made today that the forces of General Townshend were retreating to Kut-el-Amara.

The text of the official statement says:

"General Townshend remained in occupation of the battlefield at Ctesiphon, beating off all counter attacks till he had completed the removal of his wounded and of 1,400 prisoners taken from the enemy, but in view of our heavy losses and the arrival of Turkish reinforcements he then withdrew."

Son and Grandchild Born Hour Apart.
Mount Pleasant, Iowa, Dec. 4.—One hour after learning that she was a grandmother, Mrs. Sydney Long of this city gave birth to a son.

TEN MILLION
IN BAIL ASKED
OF GRAFTERS

Fifty-Four Defendants Named
in Giant Labor Scandal
Unearthed in Chicago.

6,946 CHARGES MADE

Each Facing That Number of
Counts—City Divided Into
Districts of Extortion.

Chicago, Dec. 4.—When the 54 defendants named in the indictments charging them with alleged labor graft appear in court today, bail aggregating \$10,530,000 will be demanded for their releases, Charles C. Case, assistant state's attorney, announced.

There are 6,946 counts against each defendant and the individual bail asked for each is \$195,000. Forty-seven are officials and members of the building trades unions, two are saloonkeepers, two bartenders, two plate glass dealers and one electrical contractor. They are charged with extortion, conspiracy and malicious mischief. The indictments were returned by the grand jury last night.

Grafted Half Million.
It is charged by the state's attorney that the amount of tribute collected by the indicted men totals nearly \$500,000. Chicago was divided into nine sections for the purpose of blackmail, according to the state's attorney. Over each of these nine districts presides an official who directed persecution against contractors or property owners.

Travel in Autos.
Crews traveling in automobiles for the purposes, swept through the city, it is alleged, breaking plate glass windows of buildings under construction. It was charged that the victims would be obliged to settle with the extortionists to have the practice stopped. Until he did so, the plate glass involved would refuse to replace the glass, the state's attorney said.

The work of blackmail and extortion was reduced to such a system, it was charged, that daily "unfair lists" were sent to each of the nine districts. The usual procedure was to call a strike on the ground that non-union material was being used or some other grievance was being cited. The victim would be notified it is said that the trouble could be fixed up for a sum ranging from \$10 to \$500 and in some cases into the thousands.

Attorney Frank Comerford, counsel for a number of men under arrest, said today that the grand jury action was part of a plan by employers to destroy union labor in Chicago.

Bail Is Reduced.
Twenty-six of the 54 defendants appeared in court today and pressed for a reduction in bail from the \$195,000 each asked by the state's attorney to \$25,000. Benedict J. Short of counsel for labor men argued that the higher sum was unreasonable, and maintained that the lower amount, set against one charge of each indictment, would be sufficient to insure a defendant's appearance. Assistant State's Attorney Case insisted on the higher amount.

After listening to the arguments of counsel for the indicted men, Judge Burke granted the reduction asked in the cases of the 26 who appeared in the court room and fixed their bonds at \$25,000 each.

SENT TO PRISON FOR
SELLING DRUGS

Chicago, Dec. 4.—Dr. Arthur L. Blunt, 61 years old, today and William E. Wallace, a druggist, who were found guilty by a jury in the United States district court of violating the Harrison anti-narcotic act were sentenced today by Judge Landis.

Dr. Blunt was sentenced to imprisonment in the federal penitentiary at Leavenworth, Kan., for two years. Wallace was given two years imprisonment for conspiracy and five years on each of three other counts.

THE WEATHER

Forecast Till 7 P. M. Tomorrow, for Rock Island, Davenport, Moline and Vicinity.
Partly cloudy tonight and Sunday, not much change in temperature with lowest tonight about 23 degrees.
Temperature at 7 a. m. 26. Highest yesterday 38, lowest last night 26. Velocity of wind at 7 a. m. 11 miles per hour.
Precipitation none.
Relative humidity at 7 p. m. 59, at 7 a. m. 71, at 1 p. m. today 61.
Stage of water 6.5, a fall of 3 in last 24 hours.
J. M. SHERIER, Local Forecaster.

LONDON IS STILL
HOPEFUL OF RUSS
ON THE INVASION

England Awaits Confirmation
of March of Czar's
Men Into Rumania.

London, Dec. 4. (12:03 p. m.)—The much-rumored Russian diversion against the Bulgarians has not materialized, but the fact that no Russian official statement was issued last night gave rise to hopes in London that it was being withheld in order to chronicle this new phase of the Balkan campaign.

At the same time reports have reached here from Bucharest that three Bulgarian divisions crossed Hungary enroute to the Italian or western front, which, if true, would seem to indicate that Bulgaria does not fear a Russian invasion. Reports of such a shift of forces on the part of the Bulgarians are as vague, however, as the report that Austro-German troops have been rushed from other quarters eastward to face the new Russian menace.

Dispatches from several sources assert that both the northern and southern armies are safely established in Albania, while forces of the Serbs, who evidently formed part of the defenders of Monastir, have reached the French camp at Givgell, in Serbian territory, near the Greek frontier not far from Saloniki.

2,000 Serbs Taken.
Berlin, Dec. 4. (via London, 3:30 p. m.)—Capture of more than two thousand Serbians by Teutonic forces is reported in today's official statement by army headquarters. The captures were effected in engagements with scattered bands in the mountain regions.

GREECE TAKING TOO
LONG TO REFLECT

Paris, Dec. 4. (5 a. m.)—The entente powers consider Greece is taking too long to reflect on the answer to their demands and have decided to apply again the economic measures which were used with such effect a fortnight ago, says the Figaro.

The newspaper declares orders have been given prohibiting the departure from allied ports of all ships with cargoes consigned to Greece and stopping immediately the loading of Greek vessels.

THE WAR TODAY

Berlin today reports the capture of more than two thousand additional Serbian prisoners.

A British official statement admits that the British army in Mesopotamia is in retreat down the Tigris, about one hundred and five miles south of Baghdad. The British are reported to have lost more than four thousand five hundred men. The Turks apparently have been heavily reinforced and are able to put a stop, for the time at least, to the advance of British forces.

From German sources comes the report that Greece has virtually turned over Grecian Macedonia as a base of operations to the entente allies, besides giving them free use of the railroad and the harbors on the Aegean sea, including Karain.

According to an Athens dispatch Serbian soldiers who fell back into Greek territory after Monastir was evacuated were not disarmed but were treated with notable consideration.

Much suffering is reported among thousands of refugees from Monastir who are arriving at Florina, Greece, after a long tramp through deep snow.

Debarcation of additional British forces at Saloniki is reported through London. A British correspondent at the Greek port, however, declares the military situation there is not satisfactory from the standpoint of the entente allies.

A Montenegrin official statement declares that an Austrian attack near Plevlje in northeastern Montenegro, a short distance from the Serbian border, was repulsed.

A wireless dispatch from Berlin denies rumors that Germany is contemplating peace proposals. The report that Emperor William is to visit Constantinople is also denied.

London has a report, which lacks confirmation, that 12 miles of German trenches have been taken by the Russians along the road to Tukum, west of Riga.

A dispatch from Petrograd carries the report that Field Marshal von Mackensen was slightly wounded by a Serbian bullet during the Serbian operations.

The British steamer Middleton of 2,506 tons, and Clan MacLeod of 4,769 tons, have been sunk by submarines in the Mediterranean. Four men on the Middleton were killed and one was wounded.

SET DATE FOR
THE WEDDING
OF PRESIDENT

Formal Announcement Is
Made That Ceremony Is
to Take Place Dec. 18.

ISSUE NO INVITATIONS

Only Members of Immediate
Household of Each Are to
Attend Function.

Washington, D. C., Dec. 4.—President Wilson and Mrs. Norman Galt will be married on Saturday, Dec. 18, at Mrs. Galt's home here, according to a formal announcement made today at the White House.

It was also announced that the only guests will be Mrs. Galt's mother, her brothers and sisters, the president's brother and sisters, his daughters and the members of his immediate household. No invitations will be issued.

No announcement was made regarding plans for a honeymoon but it was expected that the president and his bride will leave Washington soon after the ceremony for somewhere in the south.

While no announcement was made of the hour of the ceremony, it was understood it would be late in the afternoon. Rev. Sylvester Beach, the president's pastor in Princeton, and Rev. Herbert Scott Smith, rector of Mrs. Galt's church here, are expected to officiate.

Wilson Writes Announcement.

The formal announcement of the wedding plans was written out by the president himself this morning. Immediately afterward he left the White House to visit Mrs. Galt. Both have agreed that all the details shall be as simple as possible.

It has been intimated to the diplomats who have made inquiries at the state department that no display in connection with the wedding is desired. Despite that, it is expected that many officials and admirers of the president will send gifts.

Joseph R. Wilson of Baltimore, the president's brother; Mrs. Anne Howe, his sister, and Mrs. Francis B. Sayre, the president's daughter, will be guests at the White House when they come to attend the wedding. Miss Margaret Wilson and Mrs. W. G. McAdoo, the other two daughters of the president, are already here.

Wedding at Galt Home.

Mrs. Galt's home, where the ceremony will be performed, is in the fashionable section of Washington but is too small to contain a large party. Nevertheless, both Mrs. Galt and the president decided not to have the wedding in the White House.

The brothers and sisters of Mrs. Galt who will be present at the wedding are Rolfe E. Bolling of Panama; Mrs. M. H. Maury, Anniston, Ala., and Mrs. Alexander Galt, John Randolph Bolling, Miss Bertha Bolling, Richard W. Bolling and Julian B. Bolling, all of Washington.

Members of Mrs. Galt's family said today that the ceremony would be performed after 5 p. m. and that the couple will leave immediately for a honeymoon journey. Their destination has been kept secret even from members of the family. Mrs. Galt's mother is in personal charge of most of the arrangements.

CARRANZA ARMY
READY FOR ATTACK

Douglas, Ariz., Dec. 4.—Indications pointed to the development of a general battle today between the Carranza and Villa forces in Sonora. It was believed that the battle front would extend 12 miles along the tracks of the Nacozari railroad, which connects with Agua Prieta, the Mexican fortified town opposite here.

The railway was being guarded by Carranza troops who were under instructions to prevent any attempt the forces of General Rodriguez, the Villa commander, might make to penetrate their lines in an endeavor to move eastward toward Chihuahua.

Leaves for San Francisco.
Springfield, Ill., Dec. 4.—Mrs. Jessie Palmer-Weber, librarian of the state historical library, left here today for San Francisco where she will superintend the packing and shipment home of the Lincoln exhibit which was a feature of the Illinois building display at the Panama-Pacific exposition.